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To Farmers in Greensboro' Forage District.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, GREENSBORO, N. C.,
November 29th, 1864.

Recent events have resulted in a temporary pressure on the stores of forage for the Army of Northern Virginia, and until our supplies again come forward in unrestricted quantity, the Forage Bureau is constrained to call upon citizens to sell to its officers three-fourths of their surplus corn, and all their oats, hay, fodder and shucks. From my past experience and intercourse with the people of my district, I feel assured they will respond with patriotic unanimity to the call now made upon them.

Under acts of Congress, impressments of the above named supplies have been authorized, and in case of necessity those laws will be applied; but, as I have never yet found it necessary to use the authority with which I have been invested, I confidently hope that the unpleasant necessity of impressment may in this case also be avoided.

In order that purchases (or impressments when unavoidable) may be made with discretion and without prejudice to private interests, the following gentlemen have been appointed bonded agents of the Quartermaster's Department by the Honorable Secretary of War, with authority to impress when necessary, and have entered upon the discharge of their official duties:

JOHN DOGGETT,	Guilford county,	Greensboro' depot
GASTON D. COBB,	Alamance "	Graham "
E. A. VOGLER,	Forsythe "	Salem "
L. W. ANDERSON,	Stokes "	Ladd's Ford "
WM. LINDSAY,	Rockingham "	Reidsville "
J. S. BROWER,	Randolph "	Ashboro' "

Under the present aspect of affairs and to meet the pressure on our supplies, I feel confident that the patriotic citizens of the Old North State will in their several spheres of action at home, prove themselves worthy to claim kindred with the men who have fought from Bethel to Spottsylvania and from Perryville to Atlanta.

S. R. CHISMAN.
Major and Quartermaster.

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